

Abstract

The purpose of this study was to determine if there were differences in the prevalence of risk factors for low back pain between two groups of nurses. The first group consisted of nurses who had been employed by the same hospital for at least 10 years and the second group consisted of newly hired nurses. A questionnaire was distributed to all participants asking about their demographic characteristics, work history, and current work environment. Data were analyzed using chi-square tests. Results showed that there were no significant differences between the two groups regarding most risk factors. However, there were significant differences in the prevalence of some risk factors such as age, gender, and job satisfaction. The findings suggest that while many risk factors are common to both groups, certain factors may be more prevalent in one group than the other.

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